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Drug Analysis Laboratory Monthly Status Report

March, 2010

Amherst and Jamaica Plain (combined)

Cases* submitted to the laboratories this month.....1201
Number of items* contained in these cases.....2213

Cases analyzed by the laboratories this month..... 1324
Number of items analyzed this month.....2335

Laboratories' backlog (Items)..... 9108
Average time per analysis (turnaround time)..... 180 days
Number of preliminary/priority analyses performed..... 183

Analysis Backlog

Unanalyzed items in the laboratory on the last day of the month

1-15 days old	801	9%
16-30 days old	1304	14%
31-50 days old	777	9%
Greater than 50 days	6226	68%
TOTAL	9108	100%

* A CASE refers to all the evidence gathered from an incident or arrest that is related to one or more defendants. Each case may contain one or more ITEMS of different appearance and/or composition, e.g. marijuana, cocaine, heroin.

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Analysis Profile

Time in the laboratory for items analyzed this month

1-15 days	46	2%
16-30 days	144	6%
31-50 days	400	17%
Greater than 50 days	1745	75%
TOTAL	2335	100%

Totals for Drugs of Interest

Drug Type	Number of Items
Marijuana	332
Cocaine	435
Heroin	292
Others	1276
TOTAL	2335

Trafficking Items Analyzed

Drug Type	Number of Items
Heroin	9
Cocaine	37
Oxycodone	24
TOTAL	70

Calendar Year (2010) Totals through the End of the Month

Items Submitted	5421
Items Analyzed	6647